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SUBJ: FIRST WEEK SITREP, SECOND SESSION OF LF/MF CONFERENCE

1. FIRST WEEK LARGELY ORGANIZATIONAL IN NATURE. DEREK ROSE (NEW ZEALAND) ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN. VICE CHAIRMEN ARE HARBI (ALGERIA), IRFAN (PAKISTAN), PROBST (SWITZERLAND) AND CHAMCHIN (USSR).

2. CONFERENCE ESTABLISHED SIX COMMITTEES WITH CHAIRMEN AS FOLLOWS:

COMMITTEE 1 - STEERING

COMMITTEE 2 - CREDENTIALS - ANTAR (EGYPT)

COMMITTEE 3 - BUDGET - BASU (INDIA)

COMMITTEE 4 - PLANNING - ZAGAR (YUGOSLAVIA)

COMMITTEE 5 - AGREEMENTS - PETTI (ITALY)

COMMITTEE 6 - EDITORIAL - HUET (FRANCE).

3. COMMITTEE 4 (PLANNING) HAS ESTABLISHED ELEVEN (11) SUB-COMMITTEES. ON SUB-COMMITTEE WILL PLAN THE LF BAND. TREATMENT OF MF BAND IS DIVIDED BETWEEN TEN (10) SUB-COMMITTEES; A COORDINATING GROUP IS TO PROVIDE INTERFACE BETWEEN SUB-COMMITTEES. NEGOTIATING ACTIVITY IS EXPECTED TO START SERIOUSLY WEEK OF OCTOBER 13. MANY DELEGATIONS FEAR THAT POLITICAL ISSUES LIKELY TO IMPEDE WORK ON NEW PLANS.

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4. COMMITTEE 5 (AGREEMENTS) IS TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL AGREEMENTS FOR USE OF THE BROADCASTING FREQUENCIES IN REGIONS 1 AND 3 GIVING DUE CONSIDERATION TO NO. 47 OF THE ITU CONVENTION AND THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE RADIO REGULATIONS; AND TO DETERMINE WHICH OF THE DATA RELATING TO A FREQUENCY ASSIGNMENT IS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PLANS.

5. FRG DELEGATION IS PREPARING A "NEGOTIATING SHEET" FOR EACH (INCLUDING GERMAN) BROADCASTING OPERATION IN FRG. DATA INCLUDES LIMITS OF TECHNICAL FLEXIBILITY FOR EACH STATION E.G. POWER, OCCUPIED BAND WIDTH, ANTENNA, ETC.). MORTENSEN - AFN FRANKFURT DUE TO ARRIVE OCTOBER 11 TO ASSIST WITH PREPARATION OF SHEETS ON AFN. CAMPBELL COMPLETED FOR RFE. JACOBS WILL HANDLE VOA AND RIAS ON OCTOBER 13.

6. DURING LUNCHEON WITH SWEDES, THEY INDICATED THAT RFE'S PROBLEM IS UNDER CONSIDERATION. THEY EXPECTED TO HAVE IFRB DO SOME SPECIAL COMPUTER RUNS THIS WEEKEND TO DETERMINE WHAT POWER/ANTENNA MEASURES MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO PROTECT RFE TARGET AREA. FURTHER DISCUSSION EXPECTED NEXT WEEK.

7. FRG DELEGATION HAS ASKED IF WE COULD CONSIDER A CHANGE IN FREQUENCY FOR AFN BERLIN, NOTING THAT RADIO BREMEN WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AFN'S 936 KHZ. OUR RESPONSE WAS THAT IN PRINCIPLE WE WOULD CONSIDER A CHANGE PROVIDED AN ACCEPTABLE REPLACEMENT FREQUENCY WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE. FRG REPS DO NOT YET HAVE ANY PROPOSALS TO GIVE US.

8. POLITICAL ISSUES WILL BE REPORTED BY SEPTELS.ABRAMS

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